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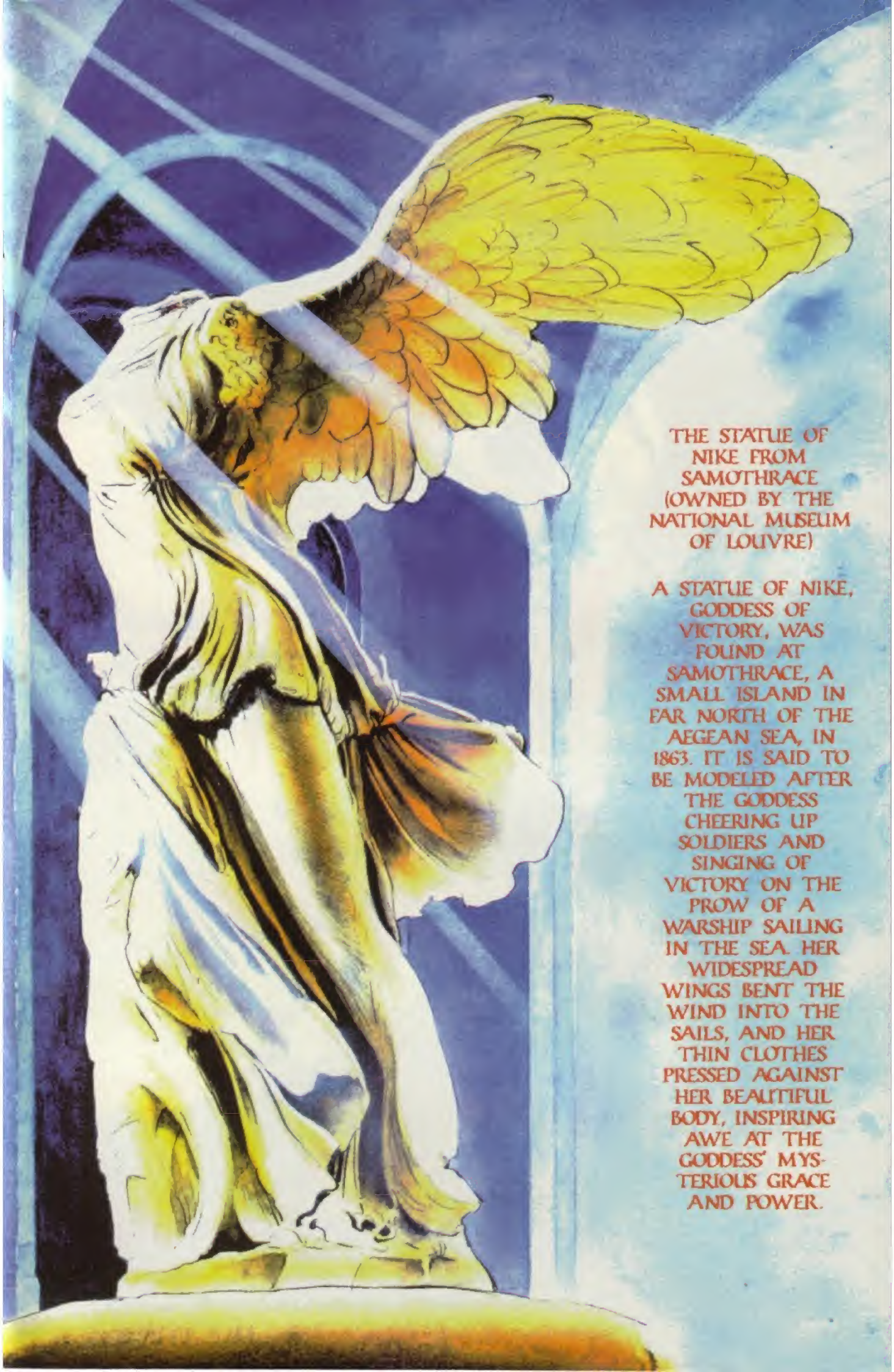

THE STATUE OF NIKE FROM SAMOTHRACE (OWNED BY THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF LOUVRE)

A STATUE OF NIKE, GODDESS OF VICTORY, WAS FOUND AT SAMOTHRACE, A SMALL ISLAND IN FAR NORTH OF THE AEGEAN SEA, IN 1863. IT IS SAID TO BE MODELED AFTER THE GODDESS CHEERING UP SOLDIERS AND SINGING OF VICTORY ON THE PROW OF A WARSHIP SAILING IN THE SEA. HER WIDESPREAD WINGS BENT THE WIND INTO THE SAILS, AND HER THIN CLOTHES PRESSED AGAINST HER BEAUTIFUL BODY, INSPIRING AWE AT THE GODDESS' MYSTERIOUS GRACE AND POWER.

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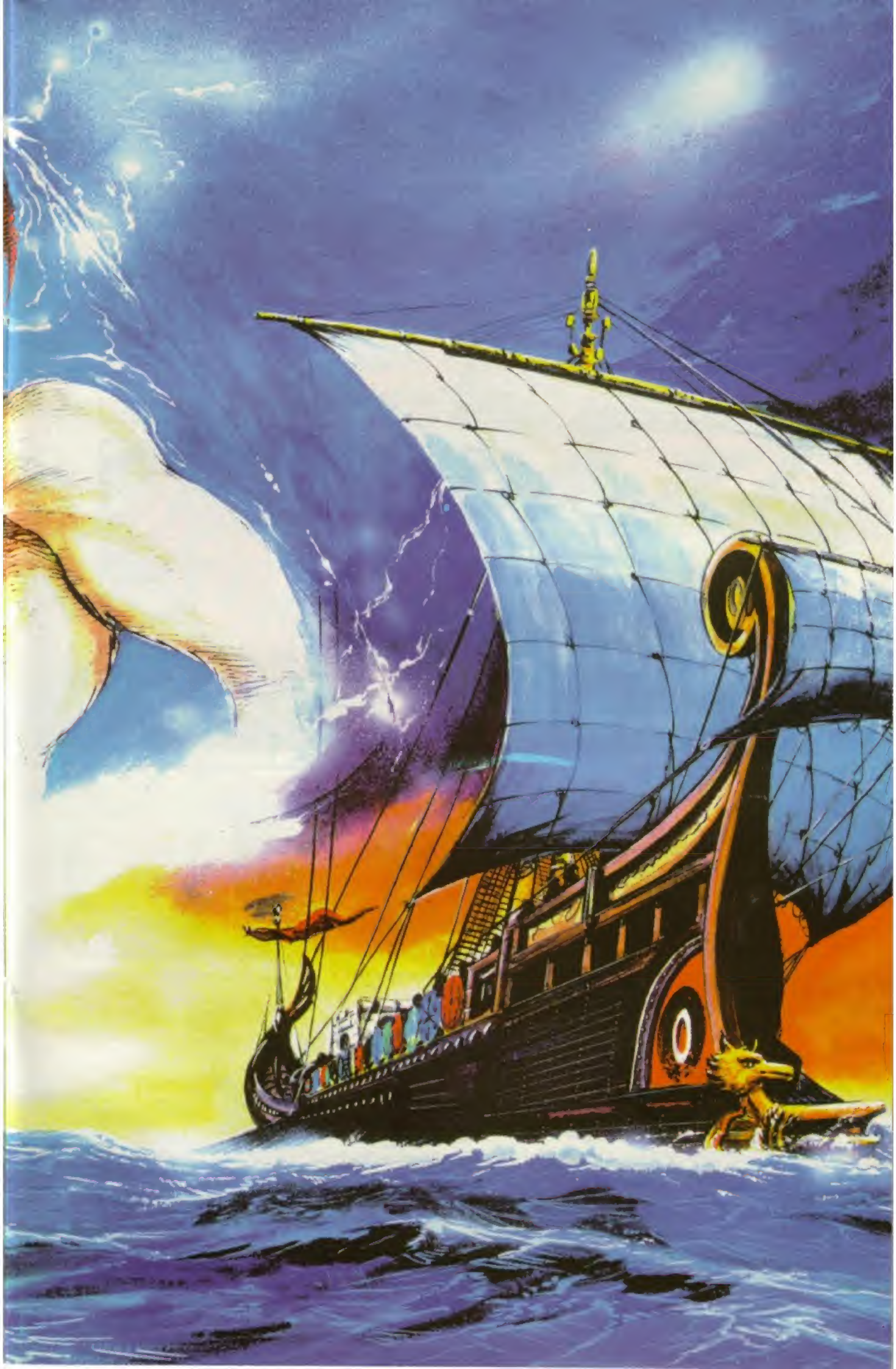
THE GODDESS OF WAR,
NIKE OF SAMOTHRACE
SPECIAL ASSISTANCE:
KOENJI HIROSHI



EEEEK!
EEEEK!
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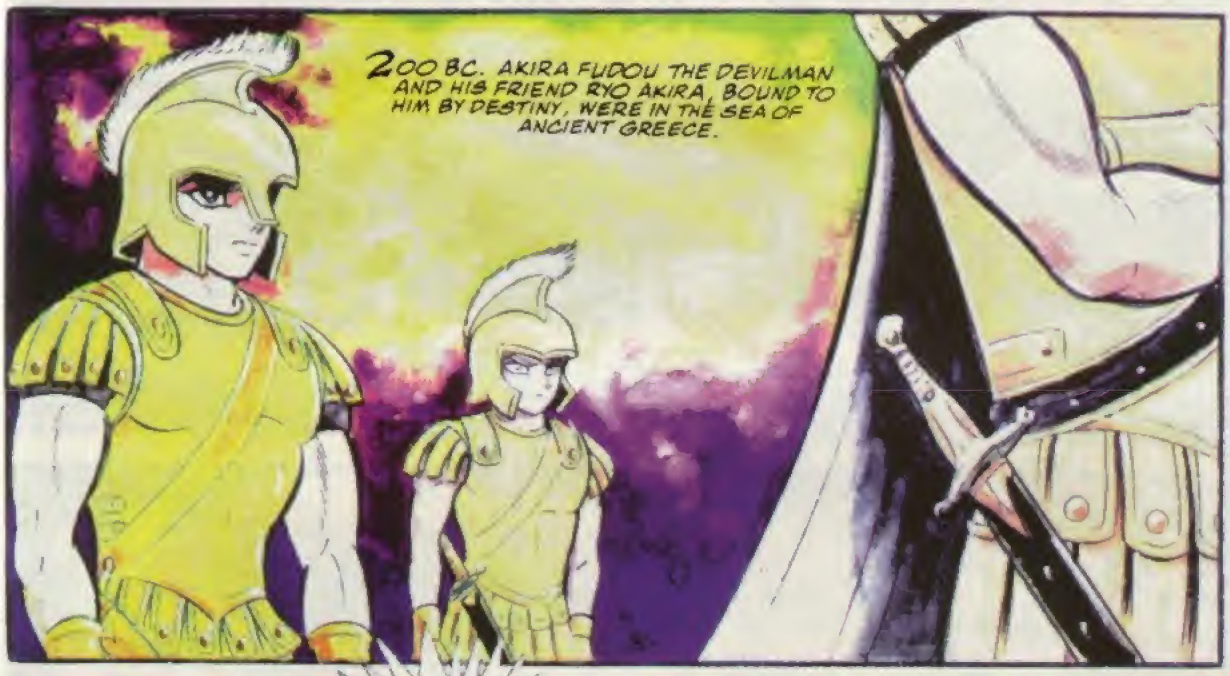
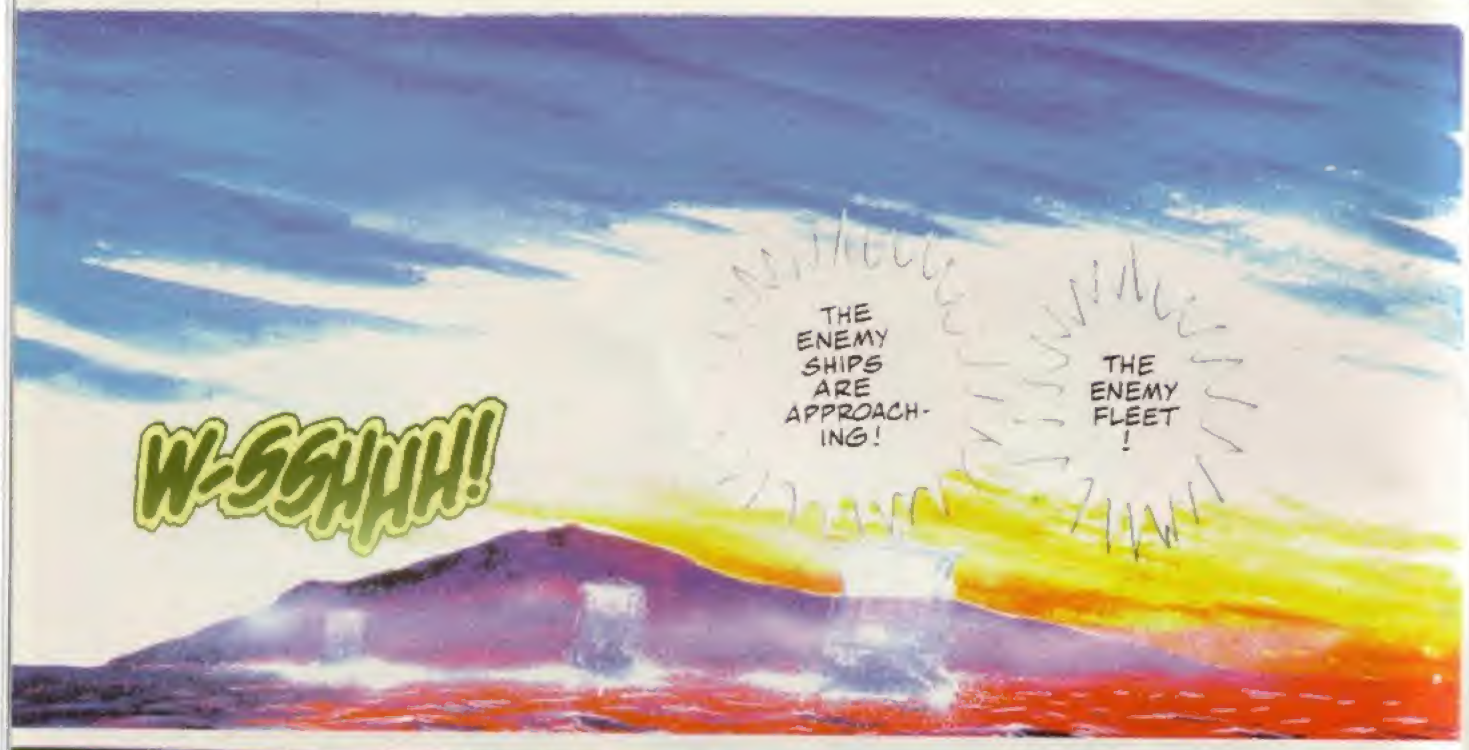
KLA NG!

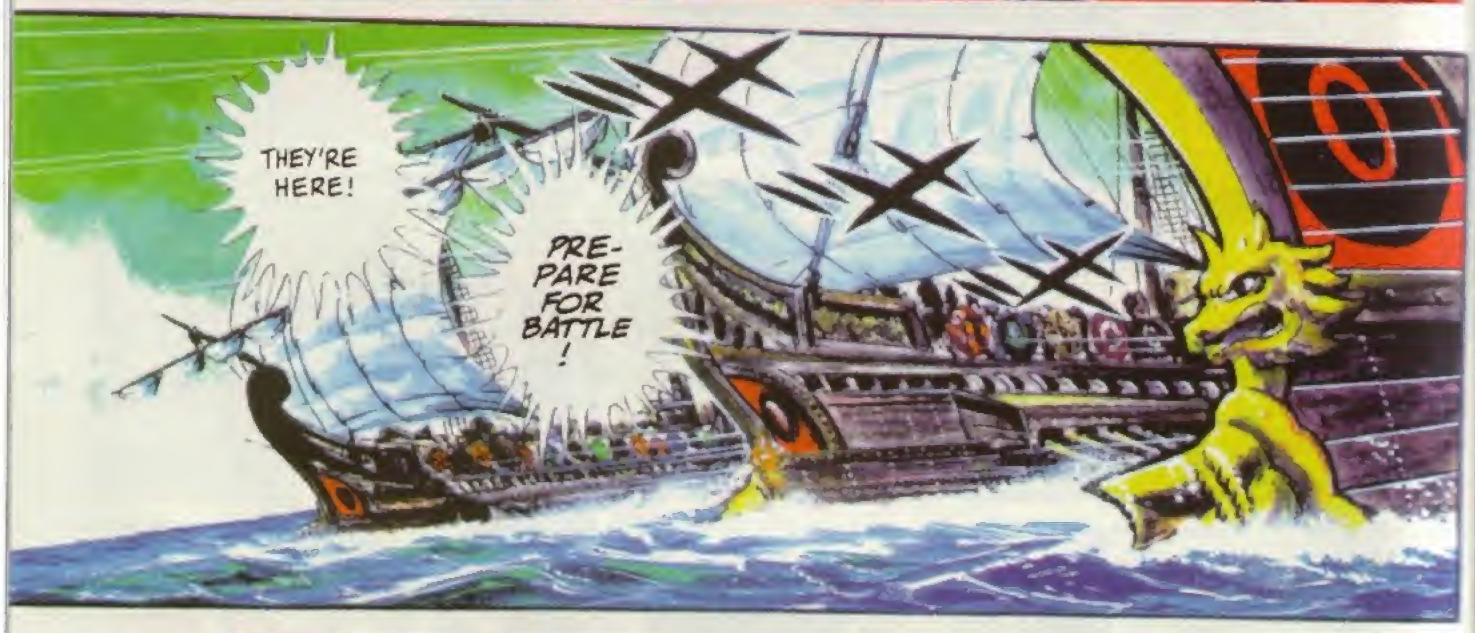
SOOSH!
SOOSH!

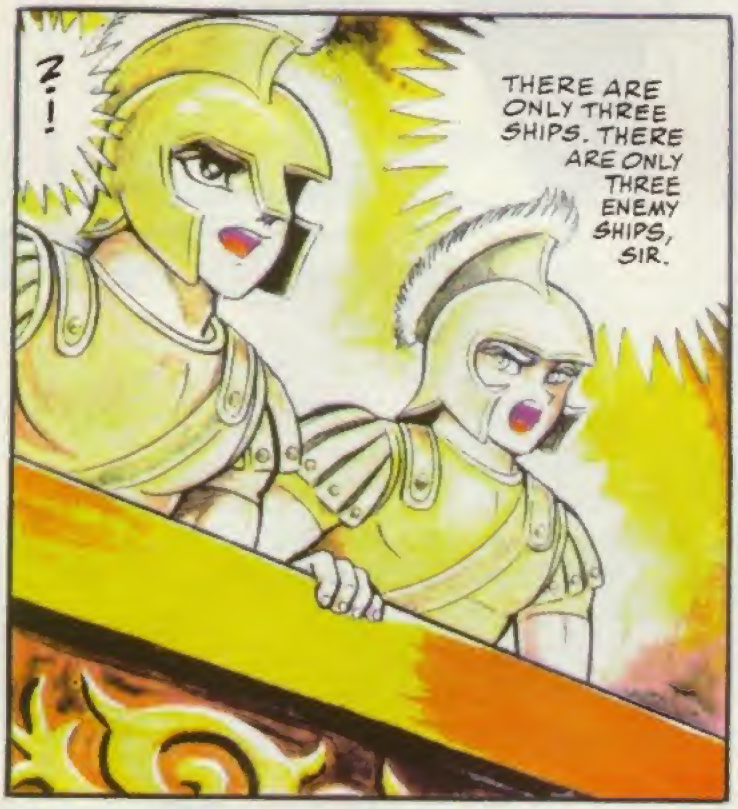

200 BC. AKIRA FUDOU THE DEVILMAN AND HIS FRIEND RYO AKIRA, BOUND TO HIM BY DESTINY, WERE IN THE SEA OF ANCIENT GREECE.

WE HAVE CONTACT! BEHOLD THE ISLE OF SAMO-THRACE!

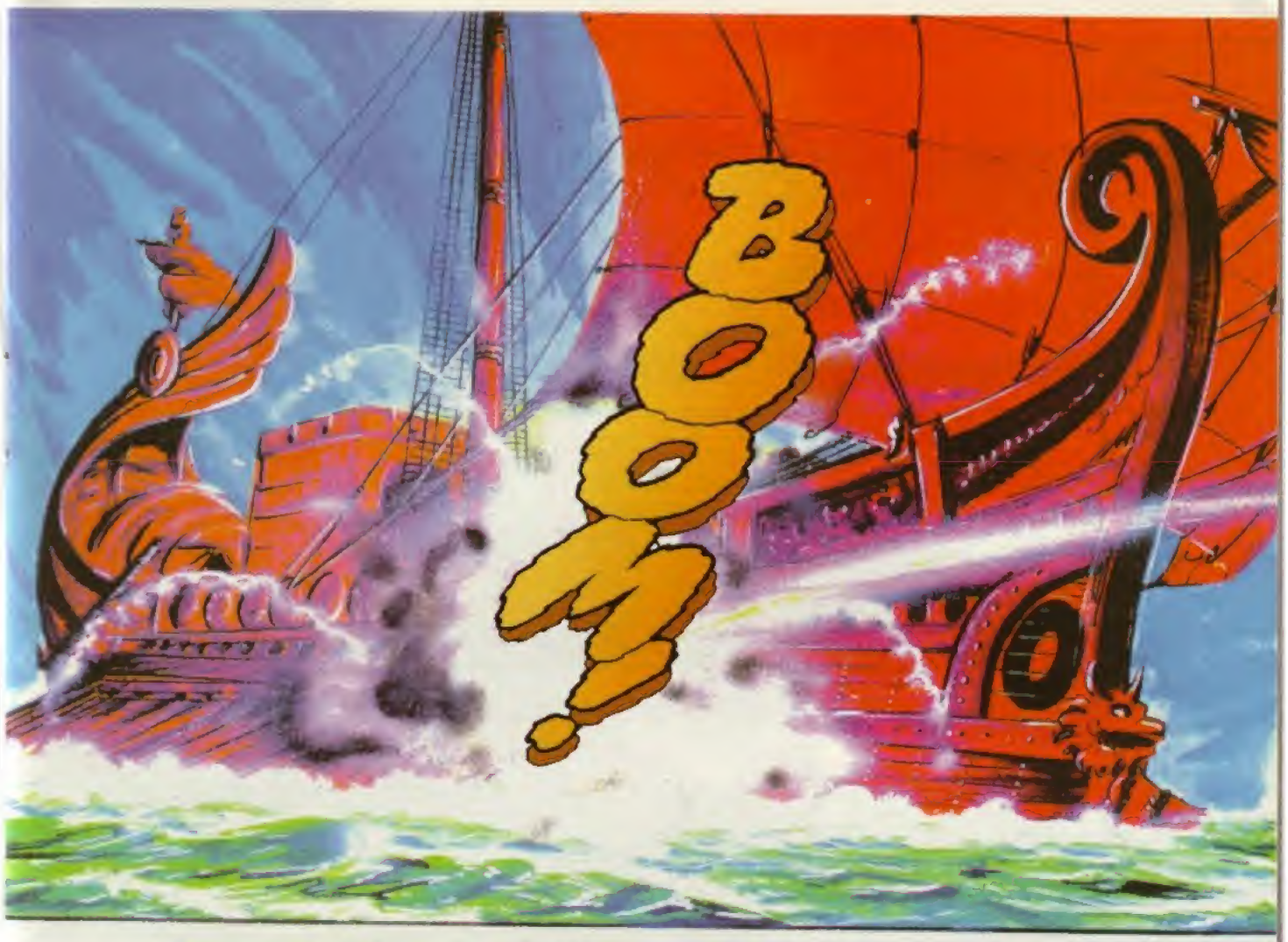
ALL SHIPS TO THE BATTLE POSI-TION!


W-SSHHH!
THE ENEMY SHIPS ARE APPROACH-ING!
THE ENEMY FLEET!

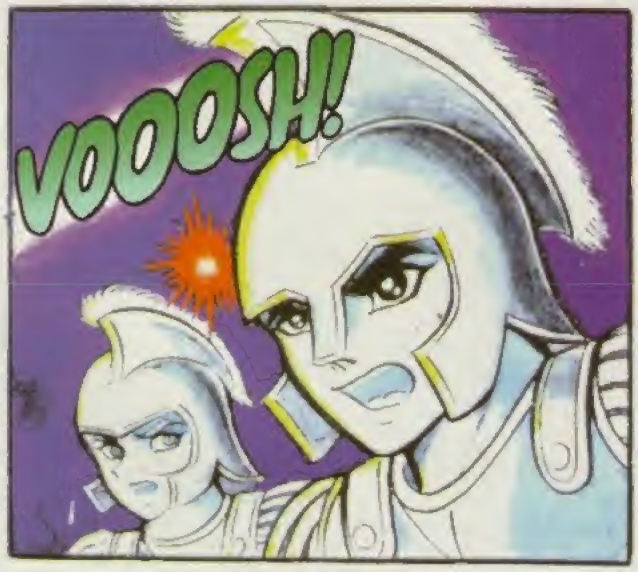

THEY'RE HERE!
PRE-PARE FOR BATTLE!


?!
THERE ARE ONLY THREE SHIPS. THERE ARE ONLY THREE ENEMY SHIPS, SIR.

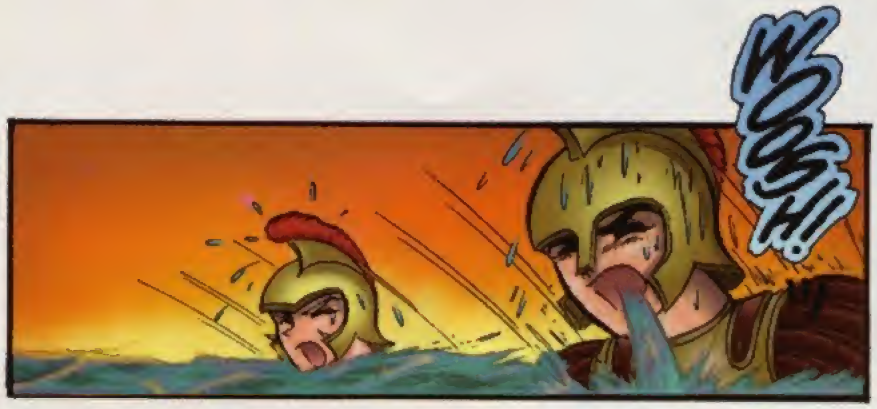
WHAT?!
VOOOSH!


BOOM!

BLAM!
BLAMM!


VOOOSH!

THOSE ARE BAZOOKAS! THEY'RE FIRING BAZOOKAS!
?!
WHAT?

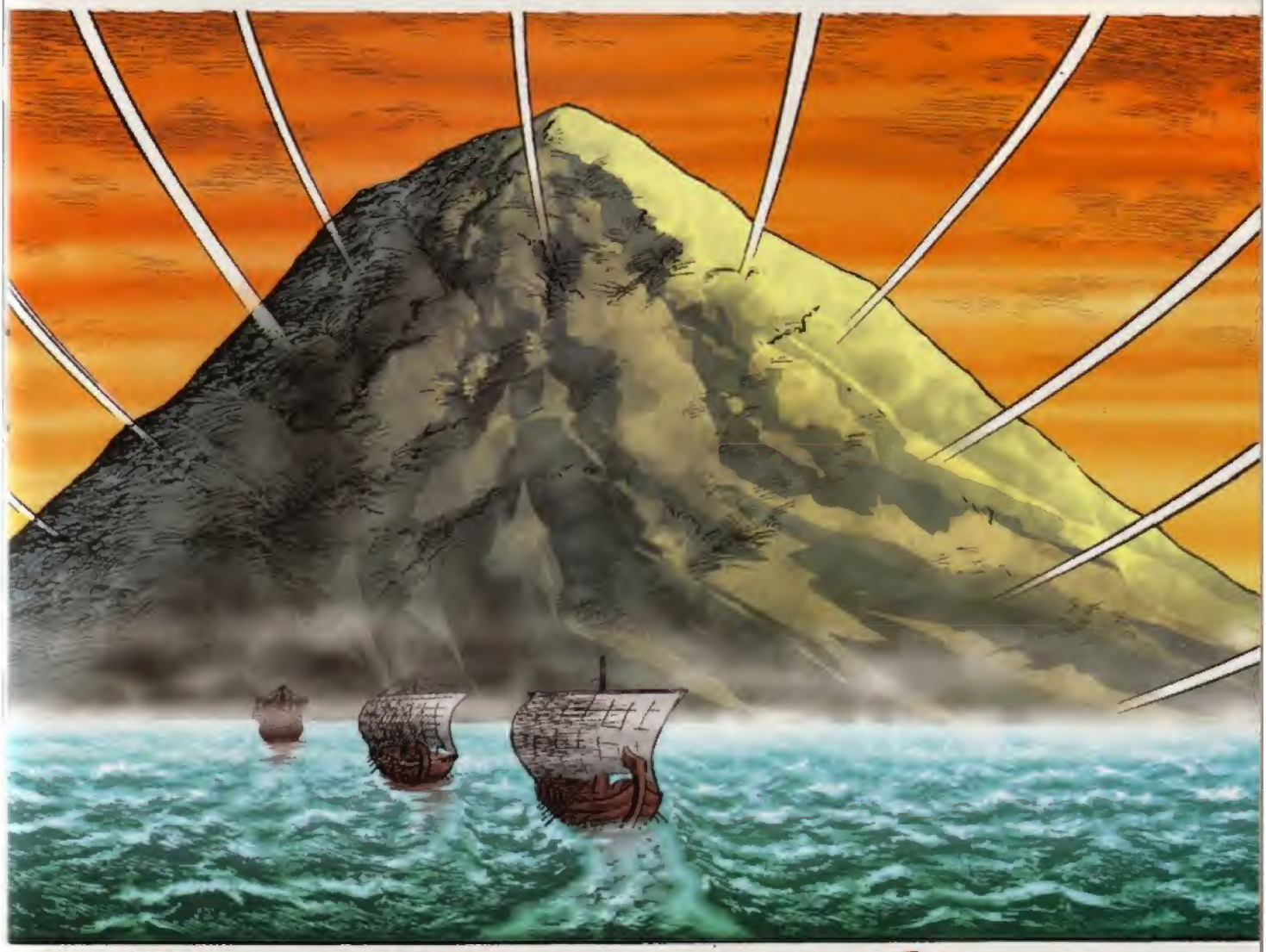

WOOSH!

SPLOOSH!

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, ROYO ?
THIS ARMOR IS TOO HEAVY. HELP ME TAKE IT OFF!

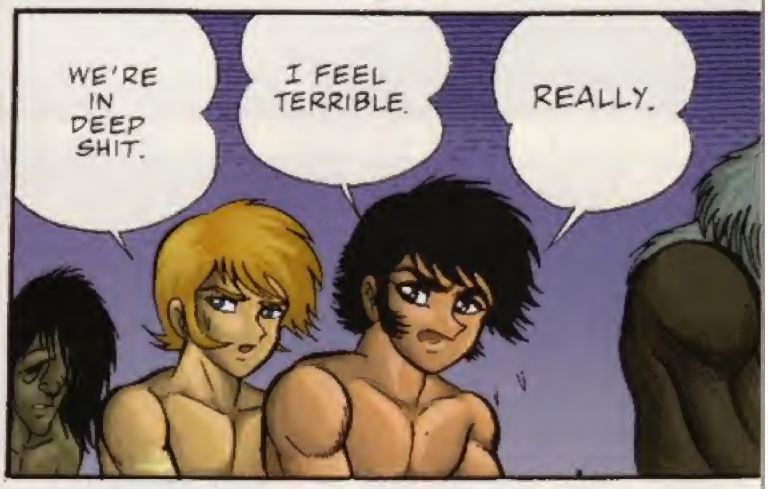
DON'T TAKE IT ALL OFF!
IDIOT !

FWOOSH!



WA-HOO!
SAMOTHRACE!

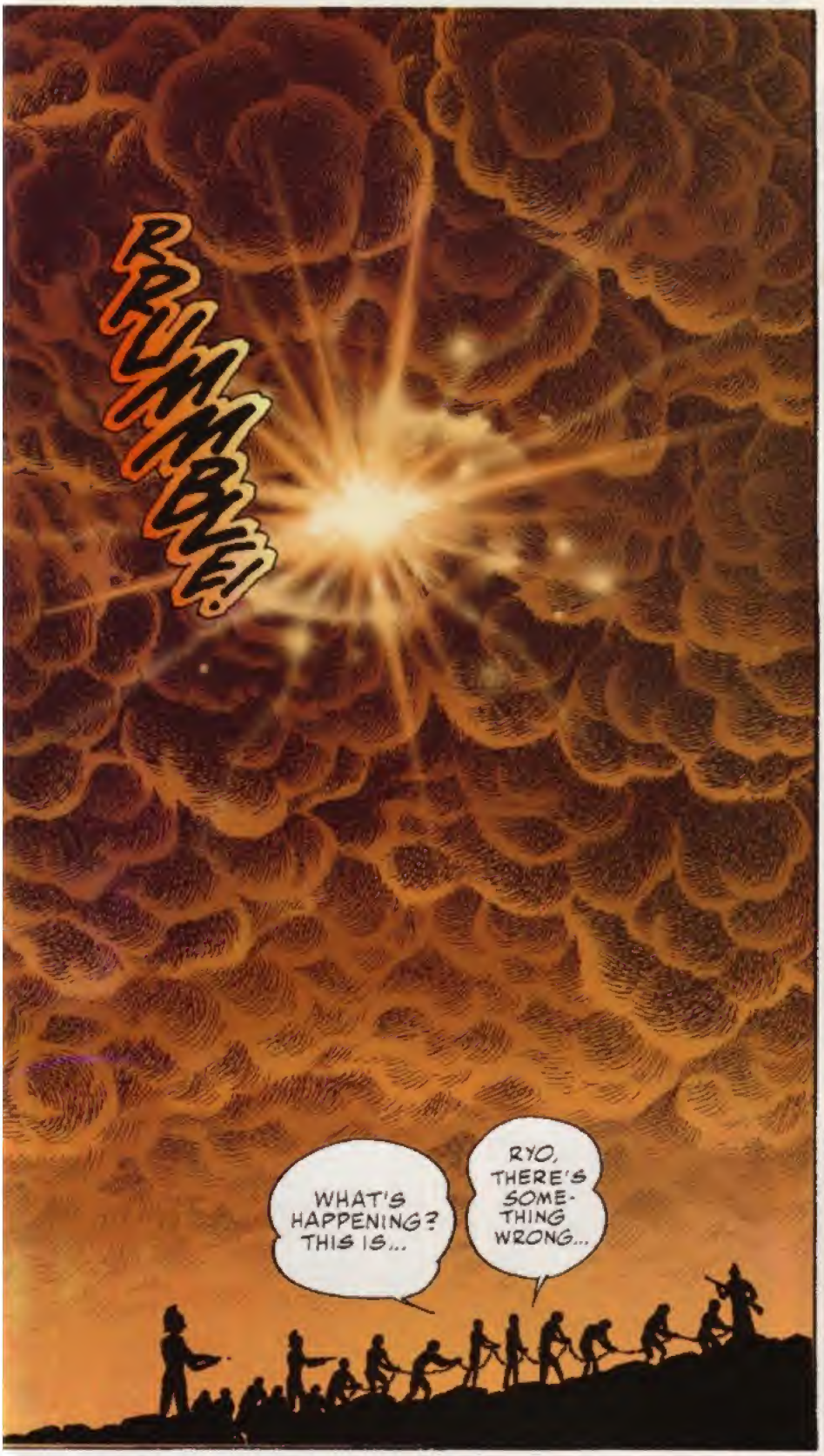
HURRAY!


WE'RE IN DEEP SHIT.
I FEEL TERRIBLE.
REALLY.

AN OFFICER OF THE GRECIAN ARMY ONE DAY AND A SLAVE OF SAMOTHRACE THE NEXT.
I GUESS THIS IS WHAT THEY CALL THE HARDSHIP OF LIFE.
HEY, STOP THAT TALK OF YOURS! WALK!

RUMMMBLE!

?!


RUMBLE!
WHAT'S HAPPENING? THIS IS...
RYO, THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG...

...I CAN FEEL IT.
SOMETHING IS COMING.

SUCH OMINOUS CLOUDS...
WHAT THE--?! WHAT'S GOING ON?

NO! LOSING THE BATTLE WAS BAD ENOUGH FOR US!

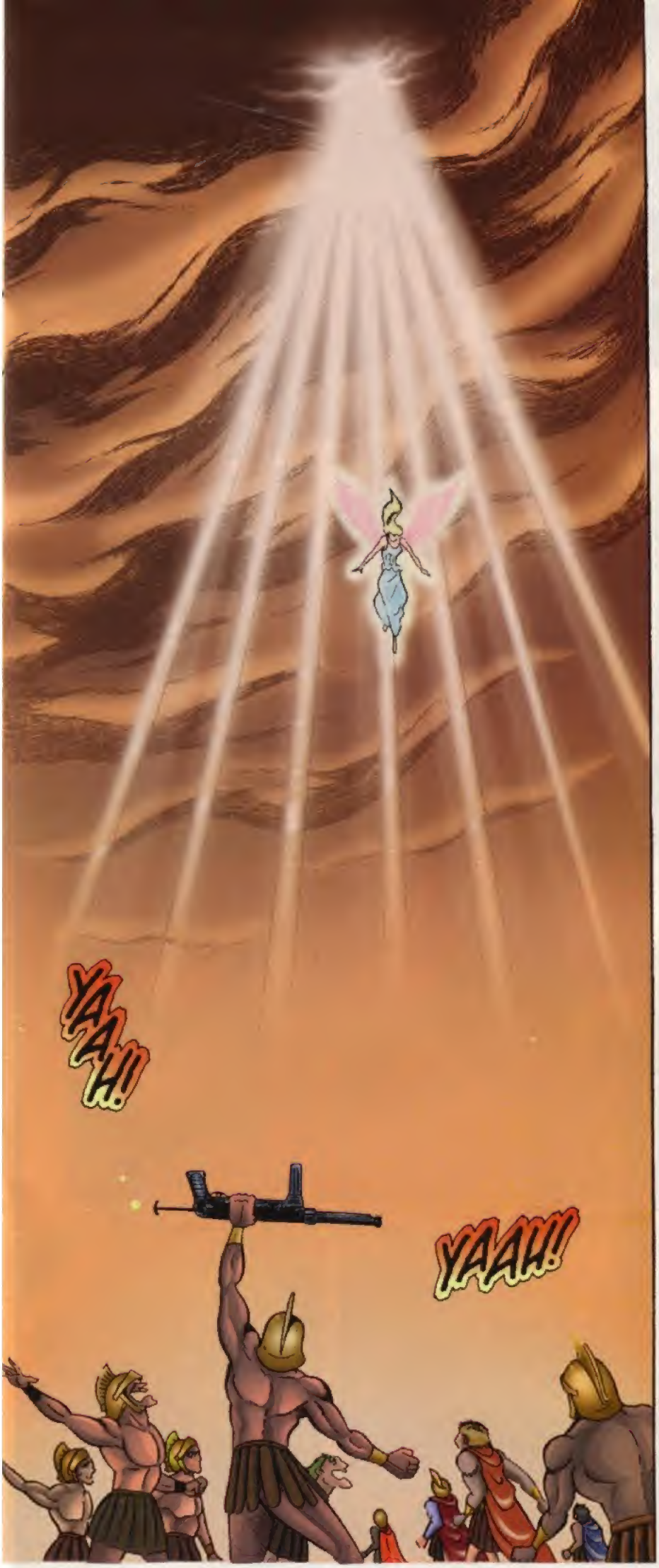
DON'T PANIC! NOTHING'S GOING TO HAPPEN!
IT'S JUST LADY NIKE'S COMING!

NIKE ...?!

I THINK I'VE HEARD THAT NAME SOME-WHERE...
RYO! LOOK AT THAT!

FLUSH!

FOOSH!


YAAH!
YAAH!

IT'S COM-ING DOWN.
WHAT IS ?!

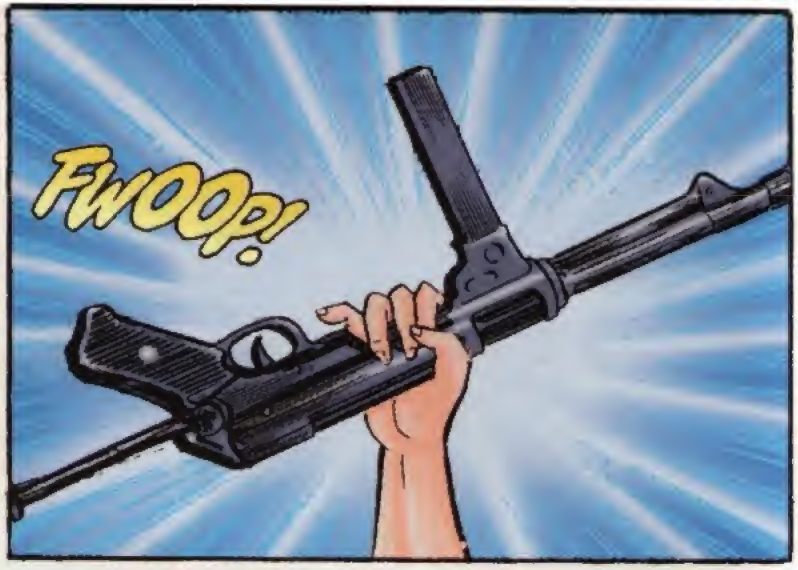
NIKE !
YES.

HO! IT'S LADY NIKE !
LADY NIKE HAS COME !

LADY NIKE !

WH ...
...WHAT'S THAT...?
SHE'S GOT WINGS!
SO BEAU-TI-FUL...

LADY NIKE!
WOO!
THE PRO-TECTOR OF SAMO-THRACE!
WE HAVE WON AGAIN, LADY NIKE!
WHAA!


FWOOP!

FIGHT.
TO YOUR HEART'S CON-TENT!

WOW!
THE SWORD THAT BREATHES FIRE!
WHAA!

USE IT WELL.
I'M AL-WAYS BY YOUR SIDE.

RYO, IT'S SHE !--
--WHO GAVE SUCH WEAPONS TO ANCIENT PEOPLE.
YES !

NIKE OF SAMOTHRACE. I REMEMBER SEEING HER STATUE AT THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF LOUVRE.
SHE IS THE GODDESS OF VICTORY OF THE SEA OF SAMO-THRACE.
NO WAY!
SHE AIN'T NO GOD-DESS!
GIVING AWAY MACHINE GUNS AND BAZOOKAS IS NO WORK OF A GODDESS!
I'M JUST TELLING YOU WHAT WAS HANDED DOWN TO POSTER-ITY.
SHE IS...
A DEMON!
WATCH, RYO!
I'LL REVEAL HER TRUE NATURE!
CHING!
AKIRA ...?!

FWAAP!
WHO THE HELL IS HE?!

WHOOSH!
WHAT?
?
!

?!

FWAP!
FWAP!
FWAP!
YOU'RE AN IMPOSTOR, GIVING MODERN FIREARMS TO ANCIENT PEOPLE AND CLAIMING TO BE A GOD!
WHAT'S YOUR TRUE IDENTITY, NIKE OF SAMO-THRACE ?!
!

LOOK AT HIM !
THE ONE WITH VILE WINGS OF A BAT !
HE'S THE DEVIL WHO TRIED TO TORMENT YOU BY POSSESSING ENEMY SOLDIERS
HE GOT IMPATIENT BECAUSE OF YOUR VALIANT FIGHTING AND FINALLY REVEALED HIS TRUE NATURE!

DAMN DEVIL!
KILL THE DEVIL !
TAT-TAT TAT-TAT
DIE !
TAT-TAT-TAT

THE PEOPLE OF SAMO-THRACE ARE INVIN-CIBLE!
PEOPLE OF SAMO-THRACE! THE SWORD OF FIRE AND THE BARREL OF THUNDER GRANTED BY GODS CAN DEFEAT THE DEVIL!
DIE!
FWAP! FWAP!
SHIT!!
DON'T UNDER-ESTI-MATE THE DEVIL-MAN!

WHOA!
VOOOOOSH!
KILL HIM!
ARE YOU RUN-NING AWAY, DEMON?
WHAP!
WHAP!

LADY NIKE!
LADY NIKE!

AKIRA!
FWIPP
KLINK!
HE JUST VANISHED!

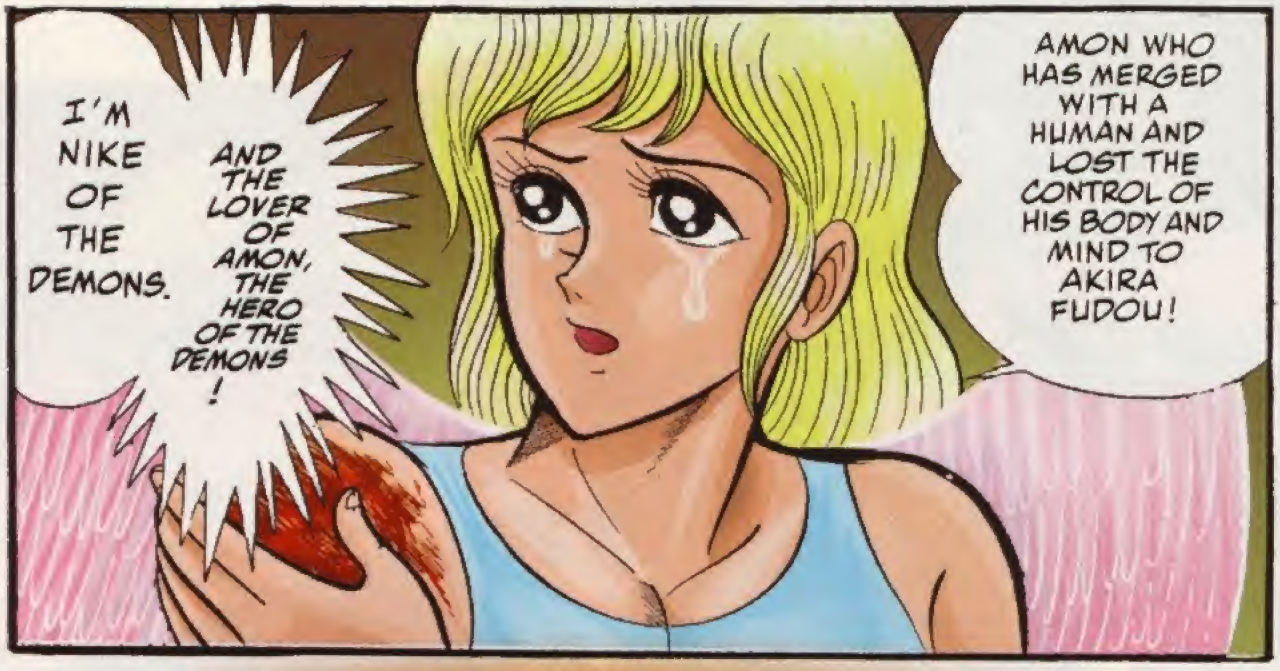
THE DEMON IN THE GUISE OF THE GODDESS NIKE!
RE-VEAL YOUR TRUE NATURE!
RAAAGH!

?!
AMON !
FRAZAK!
AIEE!
FRAZOOOSH!

WHOOOOSH!
AAAHHH!
WAIT!
THAT FACE IS ...?

HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN MY FACE...
...AMON ?
MIKI?!
SO YOU DON'T REMEMBER...
...ABOUT THINGS WHICH HAPPENED BEFORE YOU MERGED WITH HUMAN ?

?...



I FEEL SO SORRY FOR YOU, AMON ...

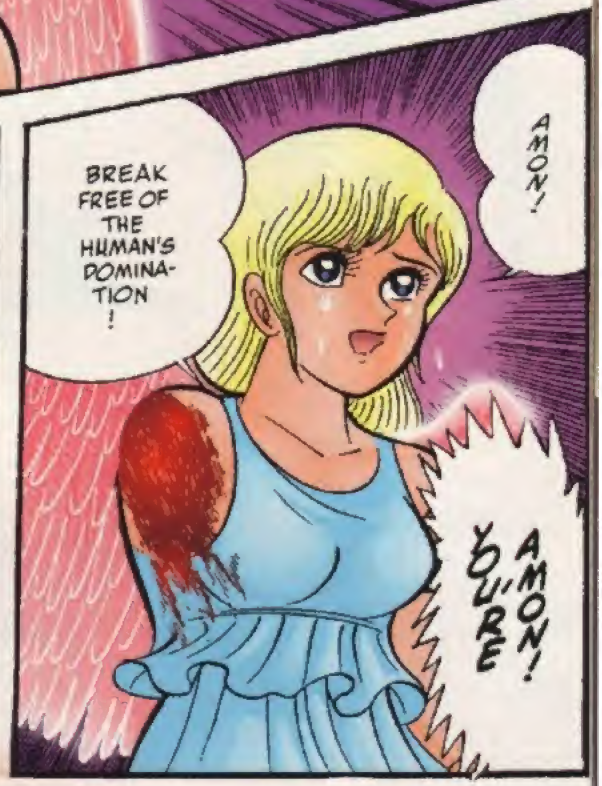
PLEASE TRY TO REMEMBER, AMON. ABOUT ME...

NIKE ...?

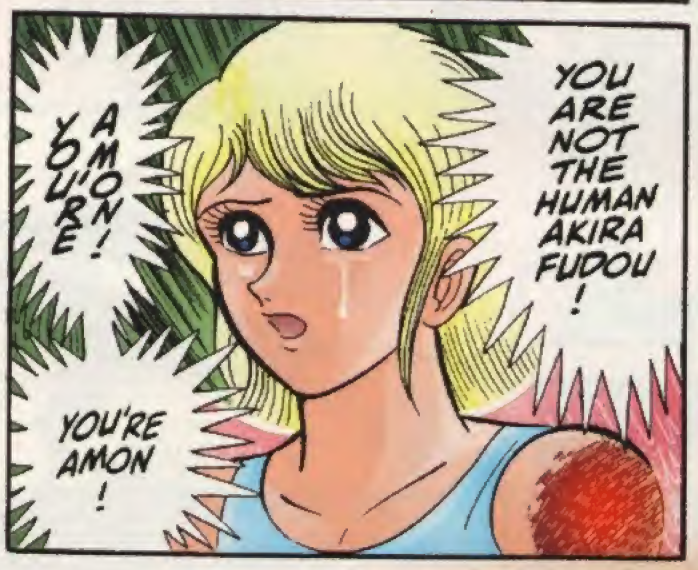
...ABOUT THOSE HAPPY DAYS WE'D SPEND TO-GETHER...

YOU MIGHT HAVE FORGOTTEN THAT YOU WERE AMON, BUT I BELIEVE YOU HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN ABOUT ME.
IN FACT, I'VE HEARD THAT YOU LOVE AND PROTECT A HUMAN WHO RESEMBLES ME. THERE MUST BE MEMORIES OF ME SOMEWHERE IN YOUR HEART...

PLEASE REMEMBER, AMON!


AMON!
BREAK FREE OF THE HUMAN'S DOMINATION!
YOU'RE AMON!

I... I AM...


YOU ARE NOT THE HUMAN AKIRA FUDOU !
YOU'RE AMON !
YOU'RE AMON !

YOU'RE AMON, THE HERO OF THE DEMONS !

NI...
NIKE!

AMON!
NIKE!

NIKU!
FWOOOP!

DON'T BE FOOLED, AKIRA !
YOU'RE THE HUMAN AKIRA FUDOU !
WHISH!
THUNK!
RYO!

EVER SINCE THEN... THE STATUES OF GODDESS NIKE ALWAYS LACKED THE HEAD...

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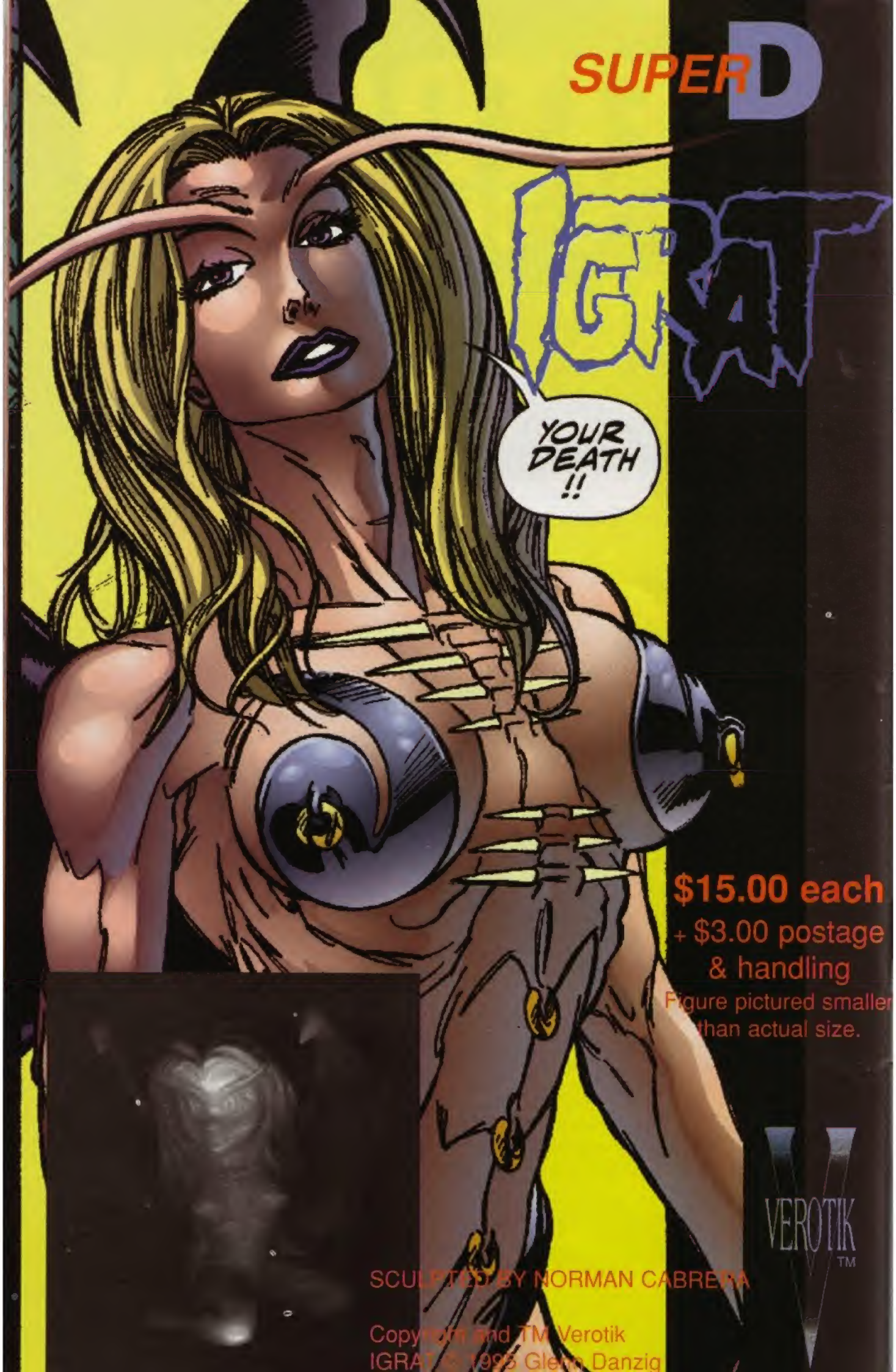
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